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Appln. No: 10/659,082
Applicant: Joel Bartholf and Dennis Ruth
Filed: September 10, 2003
Title: SHIPPING DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ARTICLES CAPABLE OF RELEASING
GAS CONTAINING HAZARDOUS PARTICULATES
TC/A.U.: Unknown
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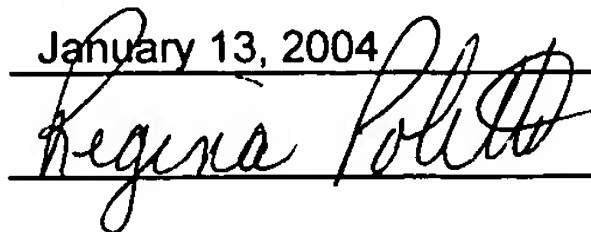
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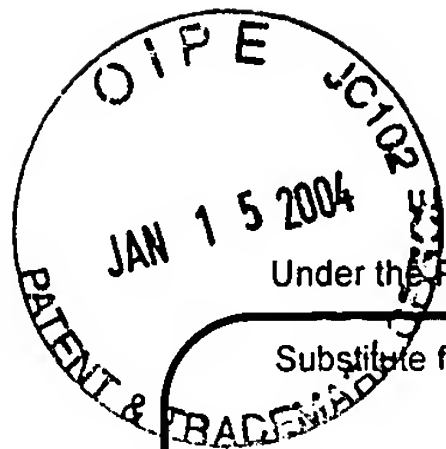
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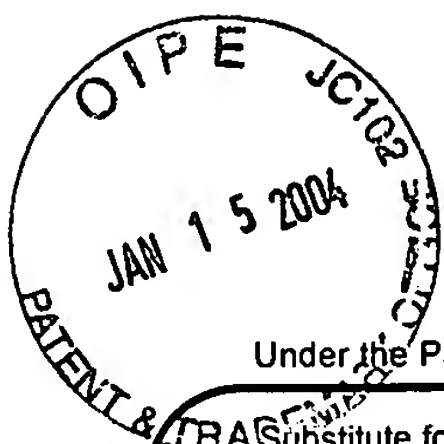
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